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SUBJECT: CLERIDES SAYS GREECE MISTAKE INITIATIVE ON TREATIES

REF: NICOSIA 1899; FBIS M061047

1. IN INTERVIEW WITH AKROPOLIS PUBLISHED HERE SEP 5, PRESIDENT HOUSE OF REPS CLERIDES STATED INTER ALIA THAT IF CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTION RESOLVED, INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS, "SUCH AS TREATY OF GUARANTEE", WILL BE ADDRESSED ON DIFFERENT LEVEL. CLERIDES NOTED GOC POSITION THAT AGREEMENTS NOT VALID, BUT CAREFULLY POINTED OUT THAT GREECE HAS NOT RPT NOT DENOUNCED THEM AND, THEREFORE, "THEY EXIST".

2. STATED NEITHER DENKTASH NOR HE CAN INVALIDATE INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS. HE CONCLUDED THAT FOR CYPRUS TO OBTAIN RECONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENTS, QUESTION MUST BE RAISED NOT BY CYPRUS, BUT BY GREECE.

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3. COMMENT: CLERIDES STATEMENT RE NECESSITY FOR GREEK
INITIATIVE STRIKES US AS SIGNIFICANT, AND SOMEWHAT AT VARIANCE
WITH MAKARIOS PUBLIC POSITION. WHILE SUGGESTION THAT GUARANTEES
NEGOTIABLE CERTAIN TO RILE TURKS, CLERIDES APPEARS TO HAVE MADE
EFFORT TAKE THEIR SENSITIVITIES INTO CONSIDERATION. FLAT
ASSERTION THAT TREATIES EXIST IS AN ADVANCE ON USUAL GOC
LINE THAT THESE WERE UNILATERALLY ABROGATED NINE
YEARS AGO. WILL REPORT FURTHER AFTER MEETING WITH
CLERIDES TOMORROW.
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